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OF UNGA

1. TEXT OF JOINT COLOMBIA/VENEZUELAN LETTER OF SEPT 28 TO
PRESIDENT LIEVANO OF UNGA FOLLOWS:

2. MR. PRESIDENT, INTERNATIONAL SOURCES OF UNEQUIVOCAL
REPRECTABILITY HAVE DENOUNCED SERIOUS CASES OF HUMAN RIGHTS
VIOLATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN TAKING PLACE IN THE REPUBLIC OF
NICARAGUA AND WHICH HAVE DEEPLY MOVED THE CONTINENT'S
DEMOCRATIC CONSCIENCE.

3. WE, AS SPOKESMEN OF NATIONS WHOSE GOVERNMENTS HAVE
SIGNED THE UNIVERSAL HUMAN RIGHTS DECLARATION, FEEL IT IS
OUR DUTY TO DENOUNCE BEFORE THAT ORGANIZATION THROUGH YOUR
HIGH OFFICE THE VIOLATION BY NICARAGUAN AUTHORITIES OF
LEGAL AGREEMENTS INCLUDED IN THE UN CHAPTER AND THE
INSTRUMENTS WHICH LED TO ITS DEVELOPMENT, WHICH NICARAGUA
HAS SIGNED.

4. IN DENOUNCING THE DISTRESSING AND DRAMATIC SITUATION
FACED BY VAST SECTORS OF THE NICARAGUAN POPULATION WHOSE
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BASIC RIGHTS ARE BEING VIOLATED, WE DO SO WITH RESPECT FOR
THE PRINCIPLE OF NONINTERVENTION, WHICH IS BY NO MEANS
INCOMPATIBLE WITH THE INTERNATIONAL DEFENSE OF HUMAN RIGHTS
THAT THE UN, AS WELL AS THE INTER-AMERICAN HUMAN RIGHTS
COMMISSION, IS CALLED UPON TO ENFORCE. THIS SIMULTANEOUS
ACTION CANNOT BE CONSIDERED ANTAGONISTIC BECAUSE THE
OBJECTIVE IS NOT FOR THE UN TO ASSUME THE RESPONSIBILITY

OF THIS POLITICAL CASE, WHICH HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE REGIONAL ORGANIZATION, BUT TO ACT IN DEFENSE OF HUMAN RIGHTS, WHICH IN OUR OPINION IS THE UNSHIRKABLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THESE ORGANIZATIONS CHARGED WITH INSURING THAT THEY ARE PROPERLY RESPECTED.

5. ANY DELAY ON THE PART OF INTERNATIONAL MECHANISMS TO ACT IN THIS RESPECT WILL CAUSE IRREPARABLE DAMAGE TO THE DEFENSELESS PEOPLE. FOR THIS REASON, WE REQUEST THAT YOU TAKE THE NECESSARY MEASURES TO PREVENT AND STOP THE WAVE OF GENOCIDE THAT IS TAKING PLACE IN NICARAGUA, WHOSE DEFENSELESS AND INNOCENT PEOPLE ARE IN NEED OF UNIVERSAL SOLIDARITY.

6. WE ARE CERTAIN THAT YOU, MR. PRESIDENT, WILL GIVE THIS LETTER THE CONSIDERATION YOU FEEL IS MOST APPROPRIATE, SO THAT IN THIS HOUR OF DIFFICULTY FOR THE CENTRAL AMERICAN COUNTRY, WHICH HAS THE RIGHT TO ENJOY THE BENEFITS OF PEACE, THE UN THROUGH ITS MECHANISMS CAN PREVENT THE OCCURRENCE OF ACTS WHICH ARE AN OPEN VIOLATION OF AGREEMENTS WHICH WERE APPROVED AS PART OF THE WORLD ORGANIZATION.

7. WE SIGN AS YOUR CORDIAL FRIENDS, JULIO CESAR TURBAY AYALA, PRESIDENT OF COLOMBIA AND CARLOS ANDRES PEREZ, PRESIDENT OF VENEZUELA.
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